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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am opposed to favoring the large telecommunications carriers at the expense of competition, and loss of innovation by squeezing out the smaller carriers.

I spent my career in telecommunications, and the CLECs -- competitive local exchange carriers -- are the lifeblood of the business.

I have been with Sonic, based in Santa Rosa, CA, for over a decade. Unlike the larger carriers, I have found their service offerings and support capabilities to be outstanding. I would not wish their competitive stance in the marketplace compromised by regressive regulations.

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